KENTUCKY BOARD OF SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY AND AUDIOLOGY MINUTES May 13, 2008

A regular Board Meeting of the Kentucky Board of Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology was held at the Division of Occupations and Professions 911 Leawood Drive Frankfort, Kentucky on May 13, 2008.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Dr. Pamela Ison Dr. Angela Morris Dr. Victoria C. Graff Kellie Ellis Bettyruth Bruington Dr. Kevin Kavanagh Bridget Stanfield Heather Johnson

OCCUPATIONS AND PROFESSIONS STAFF

Gerald Hoppmann, Division Director Wendy Satterly, Division Supervisor Susan Ellis, Fiscal Section Supervisor Adriana Lang, Board Administrator

OTHERS PRESENT

Scott Porter, Attorney

Call to Order

The Board's Chairperson, Dr. Pamela Ison, called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.

Oath of the Office

Ms. Carolyn Kyler administered the oath of the office for the new board member Ms. Heather Johnson. The Board welcomed Ms. Johnson.

Minutes

A motion was made by Ms. Bridget Stanfield to approve the minutes as amended of the regular scheduled Board Meeting on April 8, 2008. The motion, seconded by Dr. Angela Morris, carried.

Financial Statement

The Financial Statements for July 1, 2007 through March 31, 2008 and July 1, 2007 through April 30, 2008 were presented to the Board for review and discussion. Dr. Pamela Ison asked staff members the scheduled deadline for the balance transfer for the fiscal year of 2008. Ms. Susan Ellis stated that the transfer is scheduled for June 2008. A motion was made by Dr. Angela Morris to approve the Financial Statements as presented. The motion, seconded by Dr. Victoria Graff, carried.

Director's Report

Mr. Gerald Hoppmann presented the Board the Executive Order (2008-362).

Mr. Gerald Hoppmann provided the Board the schedule for the Board Member Trainings. The Board requested Mr. Hoppmann to check on the possibility of having the trainings at the Division of Occupations and Professions on the same day of a Board meeting. Mr. Hoppmann stated that he would check on this request and bring an update to the next meeting. Mr. Hoppmann stated that the Board members would receive a formal invitation.

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Attorney's Report

Mr. Scott Porter discussed with the Board the possibility of filing the new regulations as emergency regulations related to House Bill 29 by June 15, 2008.

Note: The Board appointed Ms. Alice Inman and Dr. Lonnie Harris as their regulations draft committee.

Licensure Status Report

The Board reviewed the licensure status report as of May 13, 2008.

Old Business

The Board reviewed the reinstatement application for Cynthia Applegate. The Board requested their attorney, Mr. Scott Porter, to send a letter to Ms. Applegate stating that her reinstatement is approved as of May 13, 2008; however, her license will be automatically audited for the next three years. In addition, she is required to notify the Medicaid Commissioner of any Medicaid billing from January 31, 2008 to May 12, 2008.

The Board reviewed the reinstatement application for Teal A. Bridwell. The Board requested their attorney, Mr. Scott Porter, to send a letter to Ms. Bridwell stating that her reinstatement is approved as of May 13, 2008; however, her license will be automatically audited for the next three years. In addition, she is required to notify the Medicaid Commissioner of any Medicaid billing from January 31, 2008 to May 12, 2008.

The Board denied Myra Huffman's audited renewal for failure to provide proof of continuing education. The Board requested Mr. Scott Porter to send a cease and desist letter to Ms. Huffman.

The Board denied Nicole Winther's audited renewal for failure to provide proof of continuing education. The Board requested Mr. Scott Porter to send a cease and desist letter to Ms. Winther.

The Board denied Judy Stephens' application for full licensure. The Board requested their administration to send a letter to Ms. Stephens requesting her to apply for SLP Interim license, to complete a PPE and to retake the Praxis exam before applying for full licensure. The Board also agreed to refund Ms. Stephens' \$150.00 fee.

New Business

The Board discussed an e-mail from Laura Burns regarding Medicaid. Mr. Scott Porter informed the Board that the Attorney General legal opinion regarding Medicaid billing is pending resolution. The Board requested Mr. Porter to draft a response to Ms. Burns and forward it to Dr. Ison for a review.

The Board reviewed an SLPA reinstatement application for Andrea Howell. The Board agreed that Ms. Howell does not qualify for reinstatement due to the fact that her SLPA license is expired for over five years. They requested their administrator to refund Ms. Howell's reinstatement fee amount of \$125.00.

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New Business Continued

The Board reviewed a SLP Interim application for Shannon McCloud. The Board requested their attorney, Mr. Scott Porter, to send Ms. McCloud a letter stating that her application is deferred due to a discrepancy on her PPE forms and request her to appear before the next scheduled Board meeting to explain her situation and to bring her bank statement where it shows that her check was cashed by the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

Dr. Kevin Kavanagh discussed with the Board the possibility of a new license for Audiologist Assistants. Dr. Pamela Ison asked Dr. Kavanagh to draft a statement regarding that matter and bring it for a review by the Board.

Dr. Angela Morris made a motion to send a plaque to Ms. Alice Inman. The Motion, seconded by Dr. Victoria Graff, carried.

Dr. Pamela Ison opened nominations for a Vice-Chairman. Ms. Bettyruth Bruington nominated Dr. Victoria Graff as the Vice-Chairman. Dr. Victoria Graff declined the nomination and nominated Ms. Kellie Ellis on her place. Ms. Bridget Stanfield seconded the nomination. Ms. Bettyruth Bruington made a motion to accept the nomination by acclamation. The motion, seconded by Ms. Bridget Stanfield, carried. Ms. Kellie Ellis was elected the Vice-Chairman for the year of 2008.

Application Review

Ms. Kellie Ellis made a motion, seconded by Ms. Heather Johnson and carried, to approve recommendations made from today's meeting for the following applicants for licensure in the appropriate area:

AUDIOLOGY: The Board deferred *Paula Winchester* and *Mirian Harris-Shelton* to provide an official transcript and Praxis scores.

SPEECH- LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY INTERIM: Kim Adams, Elizabeth Drury, Erin Dunaway, Austin Hancock, Tabitha McCann, Toni Morrow and Lindsey Smith.

SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY: Stacey Berry, Susan Boyer, Julia Dreher, Irene Easterly, Lesley Fish, Leigh Ann Hicks, Laura Lambers, Misty Lindsey, Kimberly Lowery-Turpen, Kristine Miller, Jacquelyn Pennignton, Cynthia Reichmuth, Candice Robinson, Kerri Salyer, Rush Scott, Charlene Skeens, Sarah Stockton and Ashley Zehner.

The Board deferred the following applicants: Rachel Hatterberg and Melissa Johnson to provide official Praxis scores.

SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY ASSISTANT INTERIM: Amanda Bowling.

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Application Review Continued

REINSTATEMENTS: Cynthia Applegate, Jacqueline Ashcraft, Jennifer Baker, Sara Baker, Teal Bridwell, , Hardison, V. Ashley Hendrick, Virginia McManaway, Brandi Owsley, Suzanna Pack, Kimberly Reusch, Maria Salisbury, Robyn Wahl and Kathleen Youse.

The Board deferred to provide additional continuing education documentation *Dawn Cooper*, *Penny Sigler and Phoebe Williamson*.

AUDIT RENEWAL: Janice Smith.

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INTERIM EXTENSION: Rachel Hatterberg, Melissa Johnson and Jennifer Spalding.

Continuing Education

A motion was made by Dr. Angela Morris to accept the recommendations for requests of approval of continuing education hours for today's meeting. Motion, seconded by Ms. Kellie Ellis, carried.

Travel and Per Diem

A motion was made by Dr. Angela Morris and seconded by Ms. Kellie Ellis, to approve payment of travel expenses and per diem compensation to eligible members in attendance at today's meeting.

<u>Adjournment</u>

Having no further items of discussion, a motion was made by Ms. Bridget Stanfield to adjourn the meeting. Motion, seconded by Ms. Bettyruth Bruington, carried. The meeting adjourned at 2:45.m.

Approved